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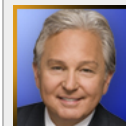
Bureau's beer rules possibly violated



By Chuck Goudie

November 17, 2005 (WLS) -- The Bears brawl has turned into a federal investigation. Teammates Fred Miller and Olin Kruetz

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suburbs.

Miller was treated for a broken jaw and missed one game. Now, the FBI is investigating what happened at the agency's shooting range in north Chicago.

A Bears tackle isn't the only one with his jaw out of joint. Thursday afternoon some top FBI officials in Chicago, and at headquarters in Washington, wanted to know how the fisticuffs happened at an FBI facility up north and whether any bureau beer rules were broken that might have fueled the fracas.

"There is an investigation underway," said Robert Grant, FBI Chicago.

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It is not a criminal investigation, but what happened at the FBI regional training center 10 days ago has raised questions about the

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Bears players who attended a private event there.

After the Bears took live ammo target practice using FBI weapons, including machine guns, the players and agents retreated to a picnic area about 200 yards away where beer was served. FBI officials say this outdoor barbeque area is frequently used by VIPs and community groups that are invited to meet agents and see how the bureau operates.

"The issue of alcohol, the bureau has a very specific policy when giving approval to consume alcohol. I am not going to comment any further on that, because I have to find out if the procedures were followed," Grant said.

It was well after the live fire shooting drill and into the social hour that Bears Fred Miller and Olin Kreutz exchanged first words, then punches. Miller ended up with a busted jaw, the donnybrook ending only when FBI agents stepped in.

At first the players tried to cover up what happened by concocting a story that the injury happened elsewhere.

Bears coach Lovie Smith on Thursday:

"I don't have any other info. I think you know exactly what happened out there. Evidently, there was a barbeque afterward and it went from there."

Almost on the eve of the big Carolina Panthers game, Bears coach Lovie Smith apparently doesn't want to be distracted by two of his

nothing criminal about that, but the FBI is looking into whether any internal alcohol and weapons policies were violated by agents.

There was a security camera on a building near where the Bears came to blows, but that camera doesn't go to a recorder, according to an FBI official. It is plugged into a monitor and watched by a security guard.

This incident has attracted attention only because it involved a couple of Chicago Bears, one of whom ended up injured. But it has focused attention on the FBI's relationship with pro sports teams.

You can't just walk up to the FBI range like it's a golf course and pay to shoot a few rounds. But the bureau does invite movers and shakers, local celebrities, athletes and some community leaders to come out and see what they do.

That FBI outreach program usually includes a well-supervised live ammo session on the range. Rarely does it result in mouths also being shot off, a fistfight or this much public attention.

As for why Bears players were VIPs at an official shooting range, authorities say the FBI has a long relationship with them and other pro teams in Chicago.

"They're celebrities. Like other celebrities, they can be subject to extortion that the average citizen is not," Grant said. "They can be subject to gambling influence, that the average citizen is not, and they can be subject to attempts to influence them with illegal drugs."

The late Walter Payton, one of the most famous Bears players, was

the victim of an extortion attempt by somebody named Scorpio,

according to FBI records. Payton was threatened by mail. A letter

dated January 1982 to Payton and a friend said, "I am going to kill

both of you," signed "Scorpio of Chicago."

There are only two FBI training ranges in the nation. One is at the National Academy in Quantico, Virginia, and the other is up in North Chicago. Because of that, FBI officials admit there really isn't much protocol for the VIP tours, but FBI officials insist there was no drinking during target practice.

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